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In re Application of:

Application No.

SHIMIZU et al. 09/827,346

Filed:

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For:

FLAME RETARDING POLYPROPYLENE FIBER AND PRODUCTION METHOD THEREOF...

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Arlington, VA 22202

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the subject application.

☐ small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

DUE DATE: May 26, 2004

## ■ Petition For Extension Of Time

- for an one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee of \$110.00.
- petition for an extension of time is NOT necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 06-1135 for the appropriate petition fee.
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## **AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 26, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- (1) Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
  - (2) Remarks/arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.